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AGAINST THE TRACKS

Trying to Prevent Gambling on Races in Virginia.

BILL IN THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

To Take Effect From Date of Passage.

NO BETTING OR POOLS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

RICHMOND, Va., January 6.-Mr. A. Maupin, member of the house of delegates from Henrico county, introduced in the House today the following bill, whose object is to prevent gambling and selling or making books, pocls or mutuals within the commonwealth of Virginia:

1. Be it enacted by the general assembly of Virginia that it shall be unlawful for any person or persons or association of persons, corporation or corporations to occupy any ground, or room, shed, booth, tent, tenement or building, or any part thereof, erected on the grounds of any agricultural association, grange association, base ball park, driving or riding club or association, public or private parks, or elsewhere within the limits of this commonwealth, with books, apparatus or paraphernalia for the purpose of recording bets or wagers, or of selling or making books, pcols or mutuals upon the result of any game of base ball, foot ball, or the trial of game of base ball, foot ball, or the trial of speed or power of endurance of any animal or beast, or being the owner, lessee or occupant of any room, shed, booth, tent, tenement, building or grounds, or part thereof, knowingly to permit the same to be used for making bets on any game or games of base ball and foot ball, or trial of speed or power of endurance of any ani-mal or beast, or therein, or thereon to keep, mal or beast, or therein, or thereon to keep, exhibit or employ, or permit to be kept, exhibited or employed, any device or apparatus for the purpose of recording or registering such bets or wagers, or the selling or making of such books, pools or mutuals, or to become the custodian or depository for gain, hire or reward of any money, property or thing of value, bet or wagered, or to be wagered, or bet contrary to the provisions of this act; or to receive, register, record, forward, or purport or preregister, record, forward, or purport or pre-tend to forward to, or for any race course tend to forward to, or for any race course any money, thing or consideration of value offered for the purpose of being bet or wagered upon the speed or power of endurance of any animal or beast, or for any person cr persons to occupy any place, building or grounds, or part thereof, with books, paper, apparatus or paraphernalia for the purpose of receiving, recording or registering any bets or wagers, or to aid, assist or abet in any manner whatsoever, in any of the acts forbidden by this statute.

2. That nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent agricultural associations and riding and driving clubs or associations offering a purse or premium at such trials offering a purse or premium at such trials of speed of animals or beasts as may be held by them.

ciation of persons, corporation or corpora-tions violating the provisions of this act, shall, on conviction thereof be fined not less than \$100, nor more than \$1,000, one-half of which shall be paid to the informer, and be imprisoned not less than six months or more than one year in jall.

4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

5. This act shall be in force from its

BENNING STAKES ANNOUNCED.

Preparing for a First-Class Spring Meeting. The stakes to be run for at the Benning race meeting next spring have been announced, and they are such as will be sure been arranged as follows: Presiding offi-

to secure large entries and first-class fields. cer, Rev. J. J. Muir, D. D., pastor of the mont syndicate, which purchased the track from the Washington Jockey Club, and as it will be backed by both money and intelligence, racing such as has not been seen here since the days of the Old National Jockey Club is confidently promised. It is said that betting will not be allowed by the management, except that between man and man, pool-selling and book-making being absolutely proh.bited. But it is understood that District Attorney Birney, prostood that District Attorney Birney, pro-ceeding under the decision of the Court of Appeals in the case of Fred. T. Miller, will prevent any and all forms of betting, whether it is done under the New York That is, he so informed a Star reporter some time ago, and nothing has since tran-spired, it is said, to cause him to change his determination. The coming meeting will, therefore, be compelled to depend alon upon the gate receipts, and it remains to be seen whether a race meeting here can be so supported. It is said that a race meeting has never proved profitable under such conditions elsewhere. It has been intimat-ed that an effort will be made to secure the passage by Congress of a bill allowing bet-ting on the track during a limited number of days in the spring and fall, but there is, it appears, little likelihood of such a propo-

sition passing, although there are, it is said, many people here who favor such a law.

The Bennings meeting will run from April 18 to May 2, and the following are the stakes announced to be run for, entries therein to close February 4: For two-year-olds—The Arlington, half mile, purse \$1,000; the Mount Vernon, for

fillies, half mile, purse \$900; the Congressional, selling, half mile, purse \$800; the Eastern Branch, four-and-a-half furlongs, \$1.000 For three-year-olds-The Potomac, six furlongs, purse \$1,000; the Federal, selling, sixand-a-half furlongs, purse \$1,000; the Cap-itol, one mile, purse \$1,000. For three-year-olds and upward—The Washington Handicap, one-mile-and-a-six-teenth, purse \$1,200; the Army and Navy Handicap, one mile, purse \$1,000; the Blue

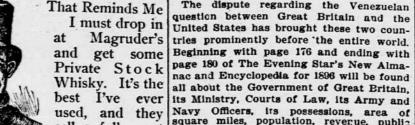
and Gray Handicap, three-quarters of a mile, purse \$800; the Washington Handicap, if thirty or more entries are received the value of the purse will be increased to \$1,500.

Steeplechases—The Easter steeplechase, two miles, purse \$600; See Selling Steeplechase, two-miles-and-a-half, purse \$750; the Sheridan Steeplechase Handicap, three miles, purse \$1,000. Hurdle races: The Virginia Hurdle race, one-mile-and-a-half, purse \$600;

the Selling Hurdle race, one-mile-and-three-quarters, purse \$750; Maryland Hurdle Handicap, two-miles-and-a-quarter, purse \$1,000.

Eastern League Contracts. The following Eastern Base Ball League contracts have been approved for the seaon of 1896.

With Scranton-James McGuire, John Crotin, E. L. Bradley, Edward Rafferty. With Syracuse-James Garry, Thomas Pewer, Daniel J. Minnehan, Michael Lynch, Victor G. Willis, William Eagan, Nace Mason and George Griston.
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COUNTRY ROADS

Information Needed by Local Wheelman

Houseman Signs With St. Louis.

WON THE TROPHY.

Prevailing cold weather is having no ef-

fect upon the members of the Capital Bi-

cycle Club, because every man of them

of the victory won by the whist team of

lo after several weeks of competition in

best players in the country, and in the tournament of 1894 at Philadelphia, in which twenty-nine of the strongest whist teams in the country participated, the Albany team won the championship of the

Lasker Ties Pillsbury.

Another sitting in the international chess

ournament was played in St. Petersburg

resterday, this being the tenth in all, and

the first day of the fourth round. The re-

Lasker (black) beat Pillsbury in a queen's

gambit declined after thirty moves. Tschi-gorin claimed his second day off, and his game with Steinitz scheduled for yester-

game with Steinitz scheduled for yester-day was postponed.

The record: Lasker, won 6½, lost 3½;
Pillsbury, won 6½, lost 3½; Steinitz, won 4½, lost 4½; Tschigorin, won 1½, lost 7½.

The Canterbury Team.

The Canterbury foot ball team has dis-

banded for the season. It was erroneously

stated last week that the Canterburys had

REV. DR. WILLIAMS ACCEPTS.

Arrangements Completed for His In-

stallation. Rev. Dr. G. S. Williams of Bristol, Tenn.

who was lately called to the pastorate of

the Metropolitan Baptist Church, made va-

cant by the death of the former pastor,

Gen. Green Clay Smith, has formally noti-

fied the congregation here of his accept-

ance of the call. Arrangements have been

made for his installation to take place Fri-

day evening, January 17th. The program

for this ceremony, which is termed in the

Church; hymn, "How Firm a Foundation;" reading of the Scriptures, Rev. A. F. An-

The new minister is a native of Tennes-see. He obtained his academic education

in that state, and his collegiate and theo-

logical training at Bethel College, Ken-tucky, and at Union University, Murfrees-

Y., and his present charge at Bristol. In

this place he has been very successful, building up a large congregation and erect-

ing three mission chapels. It was mainly through his influence that the Southwest

Institute was moved to Bristol, and through

his efforts largely, \$100,000 has been added

Officers Elected.

Nelson Division, No. 2, U. R., K. of P . I.

H. Mills, captain; I. W. Hardell, first lieu-

tenant: Andrew Lauxman, second lieu-

tenant (herald): Thomas Adams, S. K.

recorder; R. H. Hardell, treasurer, and S. K. Zac. Turner, standard bearer.

Meridian Commandery, No. 178, Golden

Cross: Noble commander, E. T. Atkinson;

vice noble commander, Rebecca Henrick worthy prelate, Johanna Henrick; noble keeper of records (re-elected tenth term), S. W. Maddux, sr.; financial K. of R. (re-

S. W. Maddux, sr.; financial K. of R. (reelected), Henry H. Hough; W. treasurer
(re-elected), R. A. Walker; worthy herald,
Edw. F. Huggins; warder inner gate, Vandora Huggins; warder outer gate, Nora B.
Atkinson; trustees, Wm. Muirhead, A. M.
Solmon and N. W. Wilkerson; representatives to Grand Commanadery, A. M. Sol-

mon and N. W. Wilkerson; alternates, S. W. Maddox, sr., and Mary A. Keck.
Woman's National Press Association:

Mrs. Hannah B. Sperry, president; Mrs. Ellen S. Cromwell, vice president; Mrs. M. L. O'Donoghue, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mary M. North, assistant correspond-

ing secretary: Miss Cynthia Cleveland re-

cording secretary; Miss French, assistant recording secretary; Mrs. Gist, treasurer;

Mrs. Vorhis, auditor; Mrs. B. Lockwood, litrarian, and Mrs. Emerson, delegate-at-

Metropolis Lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. F.: Frank R. Riley, N. G.; Edward H. Grove, V. G.; Charles F. Trotter, R. S.; Millard J. Weav-er, P. S.; Peter Harr, T.; Walter I. Rich, warden; Richmond Sheriff, conductor; Wil-

llam H. McNell, R. S. N. G.; Norman Pruitt, L. S. N. G.; James H. Cathell, R. S.

V. G.; D. Willard Jones, L. S. V. G.; John H. Flanagan, R. S. S.; Joseph A, Cohen, L. S. S.; William F. Lannan, I. G.; David H.

Keller, O. G.
Golden Rule Lodge, No. 21, I. O. O. F.:
Jbo. P. Welkel, noble grand; L. R. Witt,
vice grand; Wm. A. Taylor (re-elected),
recording secretary; Géo. C. Hercus (reelected), per. secretary; Wm. Bibson (reelected), treasurer.

All About Great Britain.

The dispute regarding the Venezuelan

question between Great Britain and the

page 180 of The Evening Star's New Alma-

nac and Encyclopedia for 1896 will be found

Navy Officers, its possessions, area of

square miles, population, reverue, public debt, imports and exports, educational and

debt, imports and exports, educational and financial statistics, the annuities paid to the Brit'sh Royal Family, etc. The Even-ing Star's Almanac also contains complete information regarding all of the other for-

leign powers, the recent war between the Japanese and Chinese and a mine of other

facts, statistics and records regarding the entire world 25c. per copy. For sale at The Star office and all news stands.

The W. C. T. U.'s Week of Prayer.

The Woman's Christian Temperance

Union will observe the week of prayer by

holding services each week day in the

auditorium of the Central Union Mission from 12 to 1 p.m. The services will be con-ducted by different leaders each day.

In equipments to the institution.

there is to be an informal reception

suit was as follows:

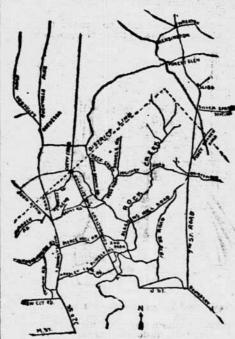
Houseman, the infielder, who lives in Chicago, has signed with the St. Louis team. NOTED HIGHWAYS AND CROSS CUTS He was tried by Washington, but was not up to the standard

An Interesting Section of the Dis-Handsome Victory of the Capital Bicycle Club Whist Team.

Wheelmen.

is proof against atmospheric frigidity by NORTH OF THE NORTHWEST eason of the glow of complete satisfacion enveloping each of them on account

the organization in the contest with the Having treated of the map of the western section of the District and the surrounding Albany Whist Club for the trophy of the country in Maryland, the second section American Whist League. The team of the Capital Club consisted of Messrs. C. M. which is north of the northwest section of Barrick, D. J. Carr, Lindley Fogg and H. the city, will be now taken up. As in the first sectional map, all of the roads will be N. Lowe, and was sent out to dare and to discussed, and this will be followed by an the games of the club house. It was the first time a team was ever sent from the article in which, for the benefit of the new riders, a number of available and pretty club under such circumstances, the former custom being for the whist committee to routes will be picked out, leaving the readselect four men and form the team in this way. The winning of the magnificent silver cup, which is the trophy, by the gentleers to determine the remainder by personal examination. This is undoubtedly the best plan, as it will tend to familiarize the cymen who have proven their supremacy in competition with all the other members of clists with all of the roads in the District and the immediate vicinity of Maryland. he club is very gratifying to the entire organization.
The game at Albany consisted of twenty-One thing which it is well to bear in mind is that in naming the surrounding roads no four hands, played in duplicate. On the first round the Capital Club men led their opponents by eight tricks. When the duplicate hands were played the Albany boys recovered one point only, leaving the system was brought into use, and consequently to know the country the rider must know the roads. Their limited number, however, makes this comparatively easy.
One thing which may at first seem strange will be that he will find some of the roads having two distinct names, which sometimes will apply to the entire road, while boys recovered one point only, leaving the score of the contest seven tricks in favor of Washington. The team will reach home today and bring the trophy with them, and the Capital Bicycle Club will then have to defend its possession against all clubs in the American Whist League who may desire to play for it. The Albany Whist Club contains some of the best players in the country, and in the in other cases it will apply to two different



been defeated by the Orients. The Canter-burys have played the Orients but once, the game resulting in a score of 0-0. They have defeated the Shamrocks by the score of 14-0; Gallaudets, 6-0, and have been defeated by the Gallaudets by 10-4. ections of the same road, though generally it is difficult to find out where one of these sections ends and where the other

It is well, perhaps, to remind the reader of the value of the maps; which accompany these articles. When completed they will form a broad continuous belt all around the District, and give the cyclists the names of the various roads and other information that cannot be in any other way obtained. Even the wagon roads are included, as far as practicable, for additional guidarce, though short wagon paths are left out, be-cause they do not add to the value of the map, or because they are not long enough to connect two ridable poads. The map in this article is a continuation of the map published just week, and the western section of one will be found to fit the eastern section of the other.

Baptist Church a recognition service, has Rock Creek Region. From a casual glance at the accompanying by a special chorus of thirty voices, led by Prof. Gilbert A. Clark; invocation, Rev. N. C. Naylor, pastor of Maryland Avenue as Rock creek runs near the center of the er tire section there must be a watershed in the vicinity of which the creek drains a derson; prayer, Rev. C. C. Meador, D. D.; hymn, "Coronation;" address, Rev. S. H. large part. This is true, and approximately Rock creek drains the entire area of the map, if anything more, for the eastern Greene, D. D.; anthem; charge to the church, Rev. C. A. Stakeley, D. D.; response, Rev. Mr. Williams; doxology; benediction, Rev. E. Hez Swem; after which watershed will extend east of 7th street road. As a consequence one can expect to find plenty of hills in the section, and in this ro one will be disappointed. It is the most hilly of any of the sections which will have to be dealt with; yet withal it is one of the prettlest, the natural scenery being worth many times the extra trouble of any trip made. This is the section which will con-tain the future Rock Creek Park and the boro, Tenn. In the ministry he has served as pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Nashville; Tabernacle Church, Raleigh, N. C.; Second Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. section in which the Zoological Park has al-

The second glance at the map will show that perhaps with but one exception all of the riding is done in the District, and this, as a rule, means good roads, though in this rule. As there are a number of roads which run their entire length in this section they will first be treated and their character.

Well-Known Roads

The Grant road is only about a mile and quarter long, running from the Tenleytown road to the Broad Branch road. It ends at the Tenleytown road, just at the village by that name, and comes out just opposite St. Ann's Catholic Church. The surface of the road is of macadam, and its first part, as far as the intersection of the Mili-tary road, is excellent. The upper half is not so good, though it is ridable. There are two hills in the course of the road, but they are insignificant. The Military road, as shown on the map, is divided into two sections, one part running from the 7th street road to the Rock Creek Ford road, a distance of two miles, while the second half runs from the Rock Creek Ford road to the Grant road, a distance of a mile. This is all that remains of a celebrated road. It was made in the early part of the late war, hence its name and virtually girded that part of the city running from Brightwood straight through under one name to the Tenleytown road, and thence northward to the River road and westward over the Murdock or Lodge road. In marching bodies of troops to the outposts of the city the road was a short cut, but for private purposes it has not amounted to much, and fallen into disuse, being virtually closed.

Or the map the section running into Brightwood is of no good to cyclists, though in good weather it can be sometimes ridden. At present it is a poor excuse for a wagonread, with only a dirt surface. The second section of the road running eastward from the Grant road has been kept in better use, and is therefore in better shape for riding It is slightly hilly, and on account of its diri surface makes poor riding in wet weather.

The Brookville or Belt road is about two
miles long, and runs from Tenleytown to Chevy Chase, ending just at the District line. The road is mostly level, and from Tenleytown out to about one-half the dis road surface being clay. A small lane, about 400 yards long, connects the road with the Tenleytown road, the lane running parallel and close to the District line.

Daniels' road is a small road running due north for a mile or so, having no northern connection, and intersecting the first sec-tion of the Military road. It is of dirt and used only as a wagon road by the few peo-

The Rock Creek Ford road is a semi-circular highway, not quite Itwo miles in length, leaving the Broad Branch road near the District-line and running-into it again.
The lower portion of the road was originaly a part of the old Military road. It is mainly a dirt road with yeveral good hills in it, and almost always ridable.

The Broad Branch road starts at the Bladgen's Mill road, and runs northward outside the District line. Its length in the District is about three miles, being partly macadamized and mainly clay. There are number of hills on its course, but none The Pierce Mill road is really a continua tions of the Longsborough road, and runs virtually through Mt. Pleasant, though its 14th street end is made a part of the streets of that subdivision. The road is about four miles in its entirety, and is one of the hilliest in this vicinity. It is, how-

ever, one of the most pleasant rides. The Woodley Lane road leads into the Tenleytown road just above Georgetown and is not quite a mile and a half in length virtually endirg at Connecticut avenue ex-tended. It is built of macadam, and though hilly, is always ridable.

Klingle road is but a mile long, and connects the Woodley lane with the Pierce

Mill road, running part of its way through the Zoological Park. It has a macadamized surface most of its way, and is fair for rid-

surface most of its way, and is fair for riding purposes.

Bladgen's Mill road runs from the 14th street road to Pierce Mill road, and is about two miles in length. Though a hilly road, it is good for cycling, the macadam surface being generally in good condition.

Connecticut avenue extended, counting from 18th street and the Boundary, is about four miles long, running perfectly straight to Chevy Chase Circle. The electric cars run in the middle of the highway, which is in excellent condition. n excellent condition.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS.

Well-Attended Meeting of the Ushers'

Committee-Uniform Caps Adopted. At a meeting of the auxiliary Christian parlors of the Calvary Baptist Church, William W. Everett, chairman of the committee, presided. A style of cap which will distinguish the ushers during the international convention of Christian Endeavor societies was adopted. It will be black and the word "usher," in gold letters, will be placed conspicuously across the band. The ushers for the approaching annual conven-tion of the District Union will be drawn the word "usher," in gold letters, will be from the ranks of the auxiliary ushers' com-

from the ranks of the auxiliary ushers' committee, and they will then wear for the first time on a public occasion, the new caps which have just been adopted.

Mr. W. H. Smith, chairman of the '96 committee, was present and addressed the committee 'n connection with the work expected of them in July next.

Tickets to the committee rally, which will be held January 18, the second day of the annual District convention, have been sent out by the committee of '96 to the aids of the auxiliary committees, and by them the auxiliary committees, and by them will be distributed to the various members

will be distributed to the various members. In many cases it is expected that the aid will be joined by the members of his little subcommittee, who will attend the meeting Saturday evening in a body.

It is proposed to seat the various auxiliary committees by themselves in different portions of the hall, and the necessary seats will be held in reserve until 7:45 o'clock, after which time all other Endeavorers and their friends who hold tickets of admission will be admitted. It is desirable, therefore, that each committee member should try to be seated by 7:30, at which time the praise service will begin. As stated in The Star service will begin. As stated in The Star Saturday, the rally will be addressed by Rev. Francis E. Clark, president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, and John Wille Bear Goods. World's Christian Endeavor Union, and John Willis Baer, general secretary of the United Society. The local officers are desirous of making as favorable impression upon Dr. Clark as was made upon Mr. Baer at a recent meeting of the District Union, when he went away sounding the praises of the Endeavorers of this city. A delightful sociable was held by the

Christian Endeavor Society of the Central Presbyterian Church at the residence of Mrs. Olivia Smith, corner of 1st and I streets. After reports from the chairmen of the various committees were read and adopted and other matters of a business nature transacted the meeting was placed in charge of the social committee, and a penny" sociable was enjoyed. Bright, new ennies were distributed, and with them little round copper-covered books contain-ing a number of questions, the answers to which could be found on an ordinary cent. which could be found on an ordinary cent.

Prizes for correct answers were awarded.

Arrangements for the eminently successful entertainment were made by Miss Anna Barr and her associates on the social com-

Executive Committee Meeting. The regular monthly meeting of the executive committee of the District of Columbia Christian Endeavor Union will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the vestry of the Calvary Baptist Church. In addition to the usual business, it is planned to have another of the conferences which have proved so interesting. The topic for discus-sion is "The Ideal Prayer Meeting."

THE GOLDEN CROSS.

Activity Among Local Com-manderles of the Order. At the last meeting of Potomac Commandery, United Order of the Golden Cross, Past Noble Commander Fletcher S. Page presided. Three applictions for membership were presented by Mrs. Anna A. Allen of National Commandery. The degrees were conferred on nine candidates, the regular monies by Mrs. Anna A. Allen and R. M. map two things are seen. The first is that Allen of National Commandery, Miss Rebecca Henrick of Meridian Commandery, Grand Herald C. G. Harrison, Past Noble Commander Nelson Conover of Goodwill Commandery, Noble Commander A. H. Fei-genbaum of Mount Vernon Commandery and others. At the next meeting, on the 7th instant, the degrees will be conferred on fourteen candidates, the officers-elect will be installed, Grand Commander Hallam will award the prize to the commandery which gave the best rendition of the ritualistic and record work during the late grand visita-tions, which will be followed by a musical

and literary program.

The officers-elect of Halcyon Commandery were installed last evening by Deputy Grand Commander Thomas Humphrey, as follows:
Noble commander, Abram J. Kennedy; vice noble commander, Mrs. Miranda M. Farrar worthy prelate, Mrs. Alice E. Kennedy; keeper of records, W. S. Stetson; financial keeper of records, R. D. Meston; treasurer, J. S. Sharp; worthy herald; J. T. Sullivan.

WATER MAIN ASSESSMENTS.

The Question of Their Legality Being Considered by the Court. The case of Hosmer B. Parsons against the District of Columbia was called for hearing before Judge Bradley in Circuit Court No. 1 Saturday. It is an attempt to have declared invalid water main assess ments made by the District since the wellknown decision in the Burgdorf case, the chief claim of the petitioner being that the law imposing the water main tax of \$1.25 wer linear front foot is means: intional and wold. The question is an important one to the District, as it has rested confidently the legality of its assessments as corrected in accordance with the Burgdorf de cision. The case was argued for the peti tioners by Messrs. A. A. and T. W. Birney and for the District by Messrs. Thomas and Duvall. Judge Bradley took the matter under advisement, and will render a judgment some day this week.

Files a Cross Bill.

Answering the suit for divorce brought against her the 12th of last month by John S. Pollock, said to be a clerk in the Smith sonian Institution, Mrs. Caroline A. Pol lock has filed both an answer and a cross bill. She denies her husband's charge that she deserted him in August, 1893, and prays that she be granted a divorce, alleging that her husband has been guilty of drunkenness, abuse and infidelity. Mrs. Pollock names one Nettie Smith as the woman with whom, she says, her husband committed adultery, charging that the couple spent the night of November 24, 1892, together. Mrs. Pollock declares that she left her husband in August, 1803, be cause of his abuse. She prays for permis sion to resume her maiden name of Ros ousch. Mrs. Pollock's attorney is Mr. J. J.

The Shakespeare Club.

The Shakespeare Club held its annual neeting for the election of officers on Saturday evening at the residence of Mrs. A. G. Adams, 947 Rhode Island avenue. The officers for the season are as follows: President, Mr. J. H. Whitaker; vice president, Mrs. A. G. Adams; secretary, Mrs. Thornton Carusi; treasurer, Mr. W. Spencer Armstrong; executive committee, Mr. E. B. Hay, Mr. Jos. Tyssowski, Mrs. Geo. A. Myers, Mrs. Gay Robertson, Mrs. Estelle

Railway Offices Burned. The Norfolk and Western railroad general

offices at Roanoke, Va., were discovered on fire Saturday and were burned to the ground. The loss will be total on the building. The entire machine works' force was called out to fight the flames and save the office furniture, records, etc. The fire de-partment could do nothing, owing to the fire plugs being frozen. Most of the records and files were saved, as was also the office The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is suspected an open grate fire in the second story started the blaze,

His Loss.

Tourist (in Oklahoma)-"When you drew your bowle and sprang at the stranger who had called you a liar, did he lose his head? Alkali Ike-"Nope; only his ear."

DAUM.

Clearing

UPHOLSTERY

At the request of a large number of our patrons, we have concluded to move our Book Department from the basement to more cheerful quarters in the annex, where the Curtain and Upholstery Departments now are. As we require the space at once, we shall have a clearing sale in these departments. We start with the

Curtain and Upholstery Depts.

25 per cent off marked prices on Lace Curtains, Portieres, Table Covers, Fire Screens, Framed Pictures, Cushions, and Rugs.

A Few Items of Many Mentioned at Clearing Prices.

121c. Scrims, 51c. the yard. 15c. Scrims, 91c. the yard. 121c. and 15c. Figured Silkalines, 8c. the yard.

10c. and 121c. plain color Silkalines, 7c. the yard. 10c. Dotted Swisses, 61c. the

15c. Dotted Swisses, 1oc. the 20c. Figured Madras, 121c. the

25c. Figured Swisses, with border, 121c. the yard. 28c. Embroidered Muslins, 15c. the vard.

25c. Real Nottingham Laces for curtains, 15c. the vard.

19c. Colored Figured Swisses, 121c. the vard. Our entire line of Tapestries

\$1.25 Figured All-over Chenille for Portieres, 48 inches wide, 621c. the yard.

that sold from 75c. to \$1 the yard

Roman Blankets, 72c. Roman Silk Blankets, handsome combination of colors, suitable for robes, couch covers and

curtains-72c. 48c. Cushions, covered with Jap. Crepe, 28c. 68c. Cushions, covered with Crepe Silkaline, silk ruffle, 42c.

During this sale we will sell 121c. and 15c. Cretons, 9c. the Potter's Best Table Oil Cloth, 11 yards wide, at 12c. the yard.

This sale will afford excellent opportunities to decorate the home at small cost.

MeGOUGH CONFESSED MURDER.

Said That He and Not Shea Killed Robert Ross. John McGough of Troy, now serving sentence of nineteen years and six months in Dannemora, N. Y., prison, for shooting and attempting to kill William Ross, a brother of Robert Ross, who was supposed to be Shea's victim, vesterday confessed that he, and not "Bat" Shea, murdered Robert Ross. Warden Thayer went at once to the telephone when McGough had been sent to his cell, after confessing, and called up the executive chamber. He asked the governor to please receive a messenger whom he said would arrive, and then at once dispatched the prison stenographer to Albany. Mr. Coughlin caught Governor Morton at the mansion just as he was leaving for church. The governor, upon learning the nature of the communication, sent at once for Pardon the communication, sent at once for Pardon Clerk Joyce and Shea's counsel, Mr. Galen R. Hitt. After a brief conference the governor decided to grant a respite for four weeks, during which time counsel could take the proper means to bring the matter before the courts for a new trial.

Shea was to have been executed this week.

The crime occurred upon the 6th of March. 1834. Shea and McGough headed a crowd of repeaters who had worked almost every polling place in Troy. They had been told not to try their games in the ward in which the Ross brothers, William and Robert, wer

the Ross brothers, William and Robert, were the head of the republican party, but an-nounced that they would. In anticipation of their visit, the Ross brothers, John Boland and several other citizens had armed themselves with clube citizens had armed themselves with clubs and some with pistols, loaded with blank cartridges. It was shortly after the melee occurred, and while twenty or more shots were fired, the two Ross boys fell.

It was while Robert lay prostrate that somebody ran up and shot him in the head. This crime was finally laid to Shea's door, and he was sentenced to death while Mo. and he was sentenced to death, while Mo Gough was sent to prison for nineteen years and six months for his assault upon Wm.

An III Wind.

From Truth.

"Curse the luck!" The milkman gave a vicious tug at the pump handle and jumped into his wagon. Giving vent to his spite by whipping his horse unmercifully, he sped down the road, eaving the air blue behind him.

For years he had left home every morn ing before daybreak with his cans half filled with milk. These he stocked up with water from the old pump and then proceeded to serve his customers. For the first time in his career as a purveyor of pure milk from his own dairy the pump had failed him. Somebody had broken the handle.

It was too late to return home and he hadn't the nerve to borrow any water from his neighbors, hardened though he was. In the midst of his reflections he was accosted by a stranger, who ordered him to stop, at the same time displaying a state dairy inspector's badge. With a much better grace than the official had expected, the milkman pulled up his horse and uncovered the cans for inspection. The result was a complete surprise to the man with the badge. He was utterly dumfounded. For the first time in his life all the milk he tested was absolutely pure.

The news spread far and wide. Soon the milkman had not a single rival left in the place. The monopoly made him rich, and everywhere he went he was proudly pointed out as the one honest milkman.

Proud Democracy. From the Helena Independent.

W. S. Hartman of Bozeman, who has been in the city on a visit, left for home the other day. Mr. Hartman and Congresssman Hartman, also of Bozeman, are brothers. A stranger who was introduced to him before he left inquired: "You are a brother of Congressman Hart-

man of your town, are you not?" "No, sir. Congressman Hartman is a brother of mine," he replied. "I am a

DESTITUTE OF VALIDITY.

England's Admission Regarding the Schomburgk Line. Mr. Henry Norman, the special commissioner of the London Daily Chronicle, cables

his paper as follows from Washington: "Regarding the Aberdeen dispatches and the Schomburgk line, I must explain my attitude. I assert nothing; my means of information being obviously limited. I simply invite refutation of the statement that the correspondence I cabled that England, in 1841, freely admitted the Schomburgk line to be destitute of any authority or validity as the basis of a territorial claim. The New York Evening Post, indulging in some clever fooling at my ex-pense, quotes Lord Aberdeen's letter of March 30, 1844, which states that England, by removing the boundary posts, did not cede any rights which she might consider Unless a better retort is possible, my position is indeed unassailable. I base my contention upon the British official statements at the actual time the boundary posts were removed. No ex post facto explanations the post of the post o posts were removed. No ex post facto explanations three years later can affect this. If England made any condition when she ordered the practical destruction of the Schomburgk line in 1841, in response to the repeated arguments, demands and insistence of the Venezuelan government, then let us have the official correspondence containing those contentions. If these cannot be produced, then my documents and my contentions hold the field."

INSECT GIMLETS.

Destructive Ability of the White Auto

of the East. From the San Francisco Examiner The excavations of the so-called white ant of the east are remarkable from the fact that they are made in many instances under cover. The insects build or excavate long tunnels, enter the building from below, and, instead of climbing a table, after the bold and open fashion of ordinary ants, they begin beneath the leg and excavate a tunnel. How much labor this entails can be imagined by boring a hole up through a table leg with a gimlet; yet a tunnel is not only made by these marauding insects, but the table is completely hollowed out. Probably the most remarkable instance of

the work of these insects was seen in Ceylon some years ago, and reported to the British government by Col. James Campbell of the fiftieth regiment. He was sitting one after-noon in an old Dutch house conversing with noon in an old Dutch house conversing with some ladies and gentlemen when a loud roar was heard, and the house literally fell about them. To their amazement, they sat uninjured, surrounded by the wreck of the building, with the blue sky above them. They scrambled out through the clouds of dust, and found that their escape was little less them. less than a miracle. Other parts of the building fell in with such a crash that the noise was heard all over Colombo, and people ran to the wreck from every direction. Examination showed that the building had been completely undermined by these won-derful workers; the timbers had been hol-lowed out, and nothing but shell left to sup-port the roof, which finally fell, leaving the wreck as a monument to the work of this destructive insect.

The Scientific Color of Sin

session at the Meridian Street Church, yesterday morning listened to an interesting lecture by the Rev. John W. Milam on "The Color of Sin." Mr. Milam made the assertion that scientific experiments have developed that sin is scarlet. These experiments were made in the Smithsonian Institution. By means of a chemical process the perspiration of a person aroused by sinful passion was subjected to a test that disclosed a pinkish color. Forty experiments were made and in each test the results were the

brother of mine," he replied. "I am a democrat."

A careful scrutiny of the records of the family discloses the fact that it was the Congressman who strayed from the fold. He comes from the best kind of democratic stock, but inasmuch as he is a shining light in his profession and a good citizen there is a universal disposition to overlook that little eccentricity.

made and in each test the results were the same. Some of the ministers declined to accept Mr. Milam's new theory, and one member of the association asked if it were meant that people could sweat out the evil in them. Mr. Milam replied that his assertions were based on scientific facts; that it was a convincing argument that the Bible and science are in accord, for the Bible speaks of the color of sin.

From the Indianopolis Journal. The Methodist Ministerial Association, in